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“Getting connected with The Foundation transformed my relationship with community work and charity. It’s managed by caring and experienced leaders offering diverse resources, including meaningful opportunities for giving to address community challenges. I’m proud to be a part of this beautiful entity.”

DANIELLA NAIM KAHEN is a wife, mother of four young children, and an entrepreneur. Motherhood, her love for the Jewish community, and pride in her Iranian heritage have been a driving force in her passion for community work. An LA native, she recently revisited her calling as a health and fitness coach, supporting her clients in maintaining a healthy lifestyle. Her deep love for the land of Israel was fostered by her parents and grandparents. Both of her grandfathers were among the first Iranian *chalutzim* (young pioneers) recruits to Israel during its founding in 1948, and her father is an IDF veteran who served as a Golani combat soldier during the Yom Kippur War. Daniella’s roots have inspired her awe of Jewish survival throughout the generations and her commitment to ensuring a bright Jewish future. Daniella’s relationship with The Foundation began several years ago when she founded the “Yad Alliance” giving circle that distributes its grants through a Donor Advised Fund at The Foundation. This passion project was ignited by the desire to immortalize the legacy of her late father-in-law, Dr. Nissan Kahen, z”l, and soon became a source of hope and optimism for the members who joined.

“I truly believe in the teaching, ‘As my parents planted for me, so do I plant for my children.’ The Foundation lives up to this ideal as well, dedicated to building and strengthening our Jewish community for future generations. I am proud to be part of The Foundation’s Board of Trustees and join in furthering their important mission.”



HEIDI MONKARSH is serving as vice chair of the Board of the Jewish Federation of Greater Los Angeles and chairs the Birth Through High School Strategic Initiative. She also sits on the Federation’s Strategic Planning and Distribution Committee, Campaign Cabinet and Executive Committee. Heidi is past chair of Sylvia Weisz Women’s Philanthropy, Ensuring the Jewish Future and Young Adult Engagement and Leadership Development. Heidi is on the National Women’s Philanthropy Board and recently co-chaired the International Lion of Judah Conference. She is also a member of the Board of Jewish Federations of North America. She is on the Academic Affairs Committee at American Jewish University and in leadership roles at Cedars-Sinai and the Cayton Children’s Museum. She is a past member of National Young Leadership Cabinet, Sinai Temple Board, Camp Ramah Board, and Brentwood School. Heidi graduated from UCLA with a degree in fine arts. She and her husband Jon have two children and one grandson. Heidi is honored to rejoin The Foundation’s Board of Trustees and continue the important work of building and sustaining a strong Jewish community for future generations.

SCOTT SANDLER is a senior vice president and private wealth advisor for Capital Group Private Client Services. Scott works directly with high net worth individuals and families to create customized plans for protecting and growing their wealth, often across multiple generations. He also helps nonprofit foundations and endowments pursue their long-term financial objectives through effective planning and investment management. Prior to his current role, Scott worked at ICG Advisors, providing investment consulting services for families and nonprofit organizations. Prior to that, he was a vice president at Zenith National Insurance Corp., a subsidiary of Fairfax Financial Holdings. Scott holds a master’s of business administration in finance from Columbia Business School, a master’s of science degree in advertising from Syracuse University’s S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications, and a bachelor’s degree in political science from the University of Michigan. He is active with several philanthropic organizations, and currently serves on the Board of Trustees at Brentwood School.



“I have had the opportunity to work with The Foundation as an investment advisor on behalf of my clients, and have always appreciated the important work it does for our community as well as helping its donors fulfill their individual philanthropic goals and objectives. It is an honor and privilege to now have the opportunity to serve on The Foundation’s Board of Trustees.”